

SENATE BILL 1204

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-402, relative to continuing education requirements of healthcare prescribers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-402, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c) This section does not apply to:

(1) Veterinarians;

(2) Providers practicing at a registered pain management clinic as defined in § 63-1-301;

(3) Medical doctors or osteopathic physicians who are board certified by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), or the American Board of Physician Specialties (ABPS) in one (1) or more of the following specialties or subspecialties:

(A) Pain management;

(B) Anesthesiology;

(C) Physical medicine and rehabilitation;

(D) Neurology; or

(E) Rheumatology; and

(4) A prescriber who:

(A) Holds an unrestricted and unencumbered license;

(B) Occupies a teaching position, whether full or part time, or on a compensated or uncompensated basis, with a medical education program

that is part of or affiliated with a medical school or dental school, as those terms are defined in § 7-90-103, in this state; and

(C) Does not examine patients or prescribe controlled substances.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.